TRANSFORMERS

THE BEAST WITHIN

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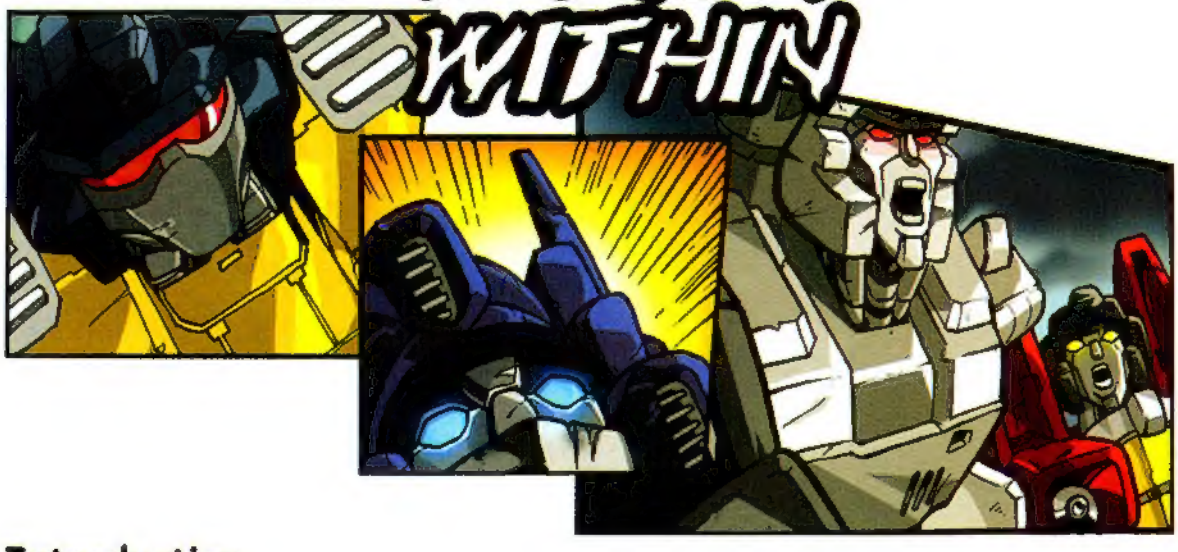

Introduction

As battles go, this latest one couldn't be going any worse for Optimus Prime and the Autobots. Megatron came from out of nowhere, and before they could mobilise, Prime's troops were facing defeat.

Also something appears to be troubling Grimlock, even more so than the impending annihilation of his comrades. What is even more desperate for the Autobots; Grimlock seems to be holding back when they need him most!

Could Grimlock be afraid? What is it that troubles him so desperately, and what is the Beast Within?

A Foreword from artist; Dylan Gibson

I have been a professional illustrator for three years, working mainly on advertising pieces, storyboards and promotional material.

As a big fan of Transformer comics since childhood I was thrilled to be offered the chance to work on The Beast Within.

I wanted to combine the brash, bright eighties colours of the old style comics with the strong character design associated with the contemporary issues. Creating 'The Beast' was probably the most interesting aspect of the project. I wanted him to be a grotesque, twisted character that contained the design elements of the Dinobots he is created from. I have had a lot of fun working on the project, I hope you enjoy reading it.

If you would like to see more examples of my work please visit:

www.dylangibsonillustration.co.uk

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I KNOW THEY WILL ALL DIE
GRIMLOCK!
I HEAR HIM CALLING... HE CRAVES THE BATTLE
HE WOULD KILL THEM...
KYLUNK!
AUTOBOT... DECEPTICON...
HE WOULD KILL THEM ALL!
CHSSK!
ALL DEAD
HIS WILL IS TOO STRONG
SHRAKA DOOM!
I FEEL IT BURNING WITHIN ME IT'S OVER-POWERING!
HE'S COMING

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NO! I CANNOT LET HIM OUT ...NOT AGAIN

DECEPTICONS! NO SURVIVORS

CLICK!

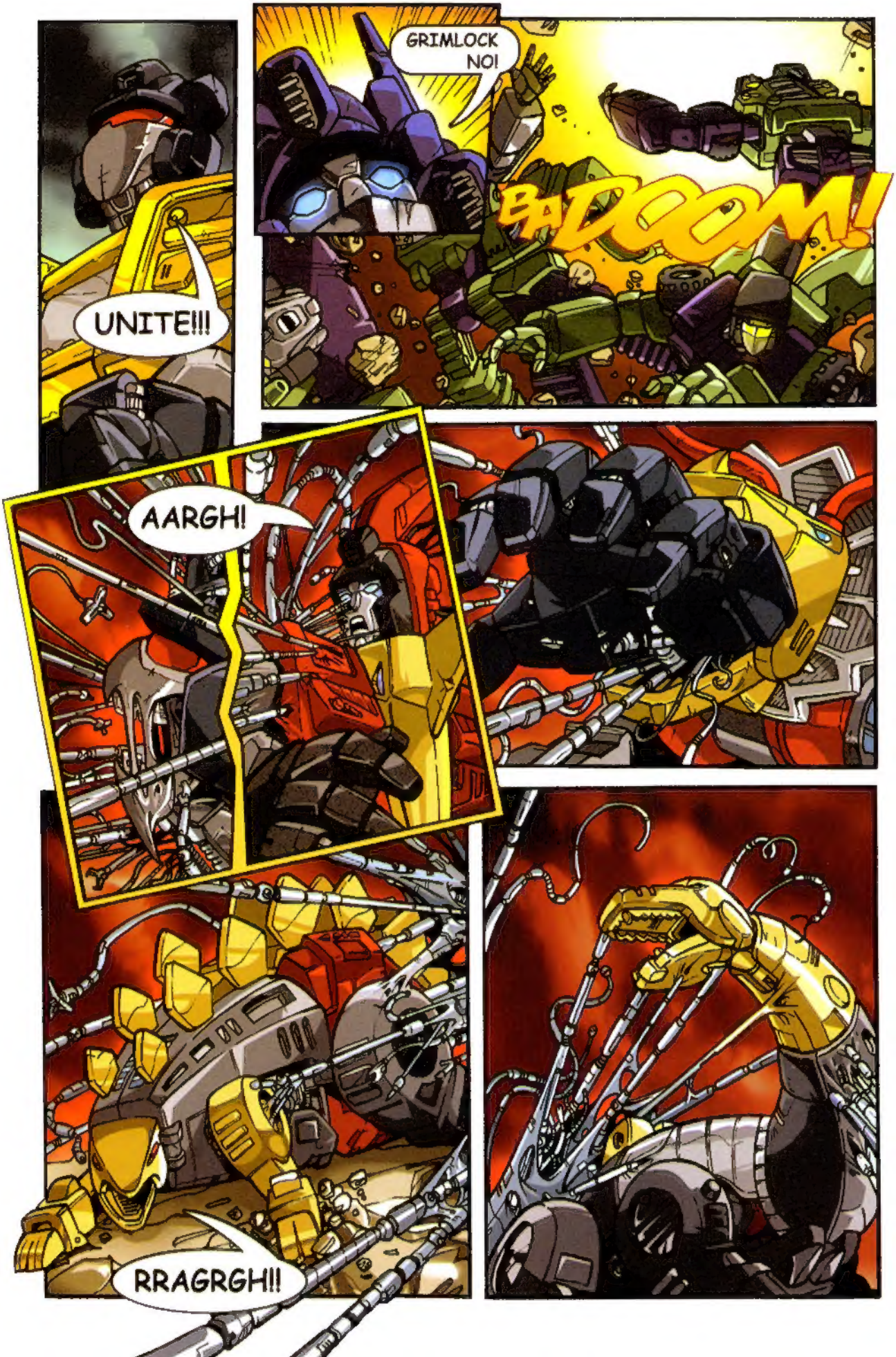
KRRUNK!

KER-KRRAK!

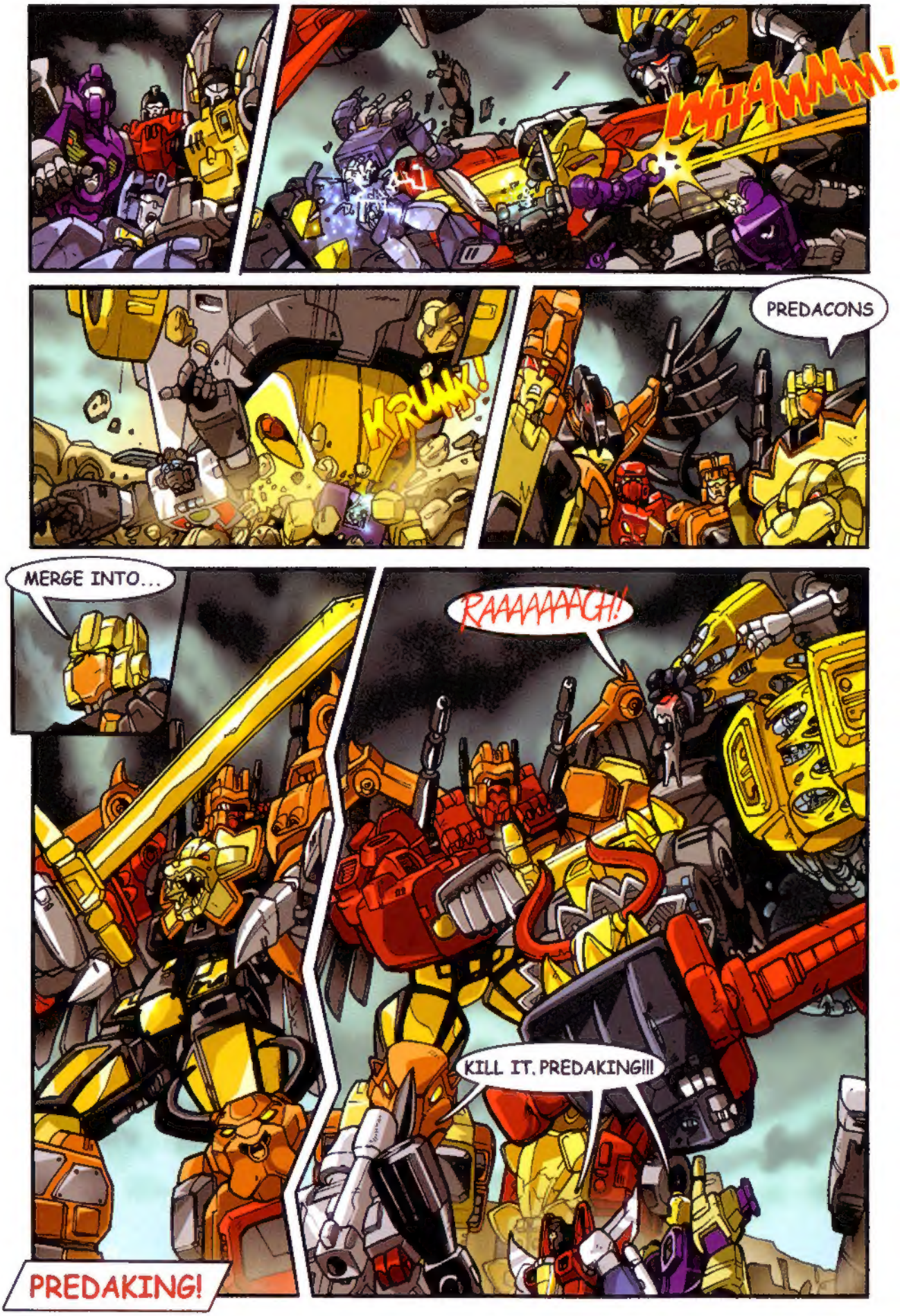
IS IT SUCH A BAD THING IF *HE* TAKES OVER?

NO THOUGHT, NO COMPASSION

MY TEAM KNOW THE RISKS
KRAK!
BOOM!
WE MAY NOT SURVIVE
KRUNK!
THEY DEFINATELY WON'T!
DINOBOTS!
KA-CHAK!
CHICK!
PRIMUS HELP US!
KUNK!


UNITE!!!
GRIMLOCK NO!
BA DOOM!
AARGH!
RRAGRGH!!

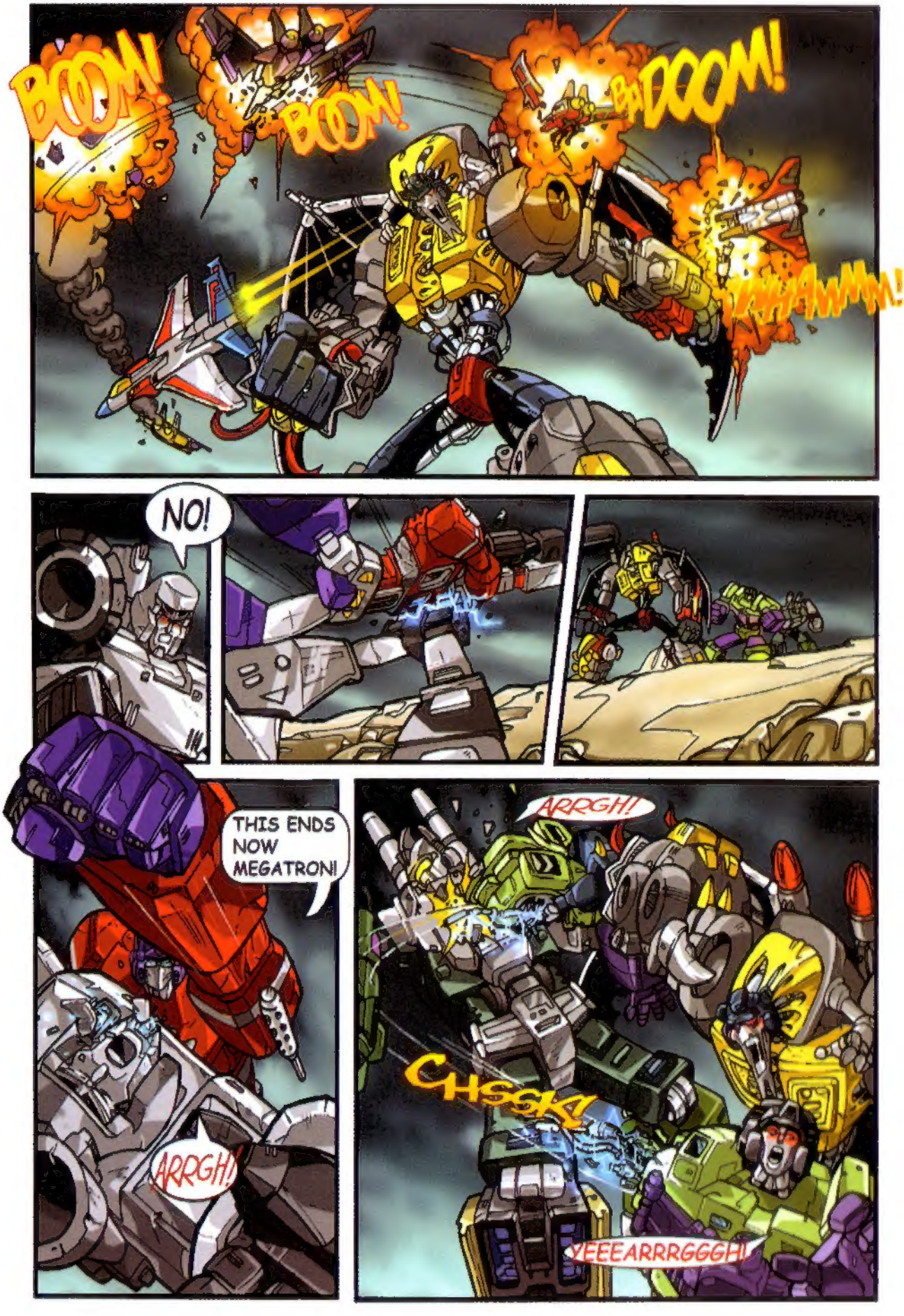
RAAAAAAGH!
De.. cep...
DECEPTICONS, DESTROY IT!


WHAWWM!
KRUNK!
PREDACONS
MERGE INTO...
RAAAAAAGH!
KILL IT, PREDAKING!!!
PREDAKING!

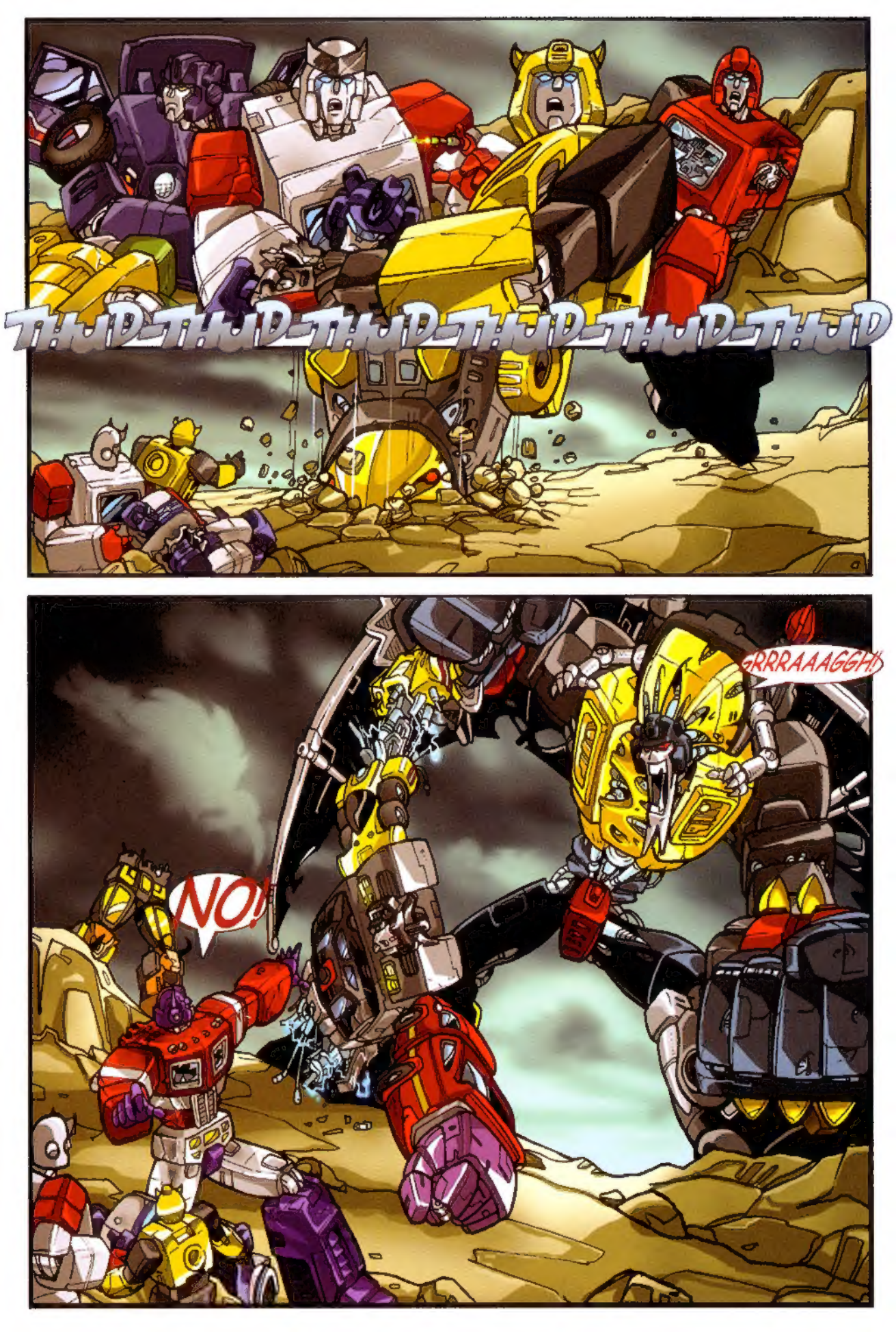
ARRGH!
CHSSK!
RRARGH?

DECEPTICONS, YOUR FEAR DISGUSTS ME. IT'S JUST AN AUTOBOT... UNITE!
DEVASTATOR
MENASOR
TAKE HIM!

CH-CHOOM!
BOOM!
SEEKERS ATTACK!


BOOM!
BOOM!
BA DOOM!
WHAWWN!
NO!
THIS ENDS NOW MEGATRON!
ARRGH!
ARRGH!
CHSSK!
YEEEARRRGGGH!

DECEPTICONS... RETREAT!
PLEASE... NO...
UNNGH!
KA-KRAK!
ARRGH!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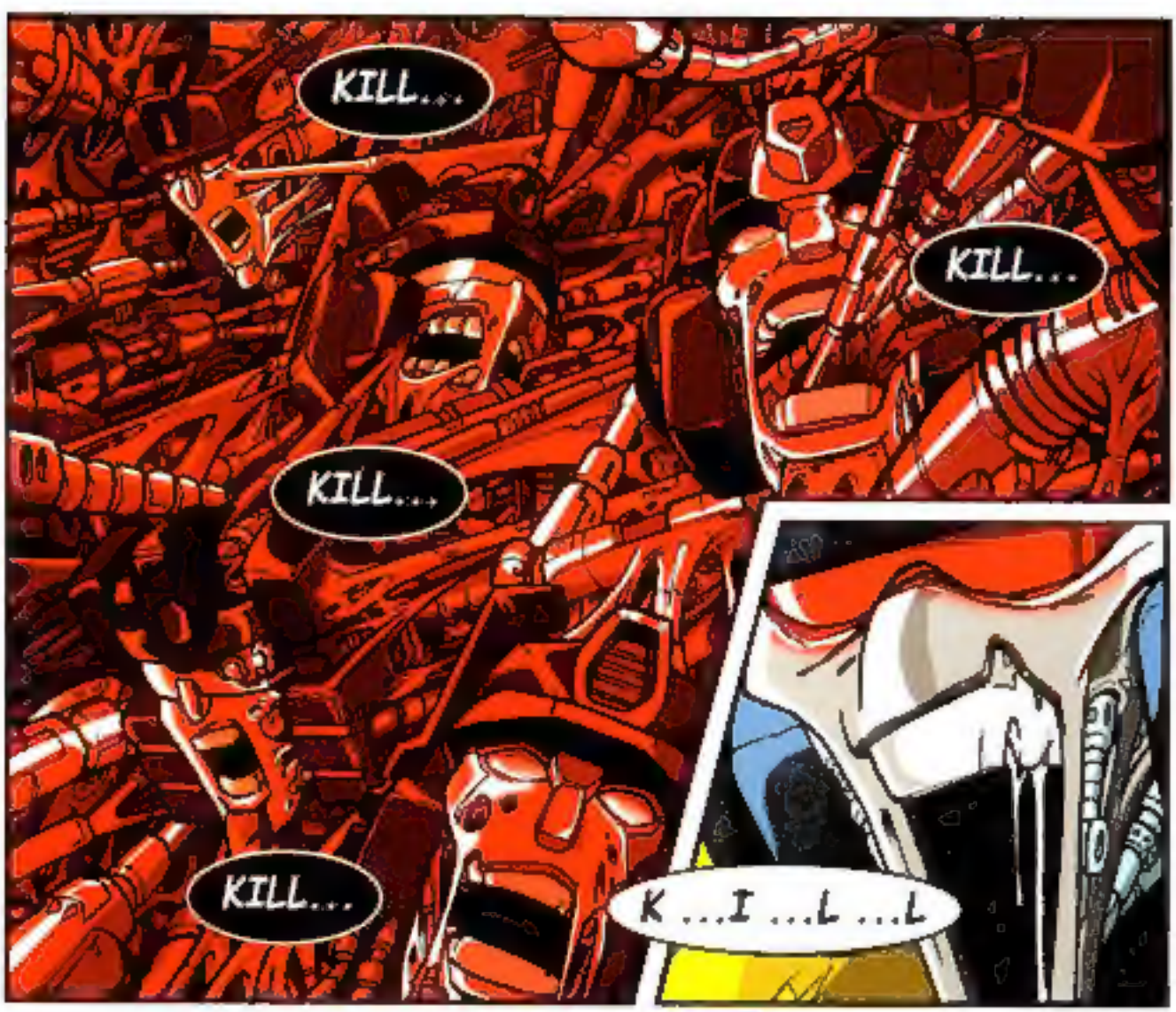
GRRRAAAGGH!
NO!



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